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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Yoichiro Sako et al.  
Serial No.: 09/940,710  
Filed: August 28, 2001  
For: DATA OUTPUT METHOD AND APPARATUS, DATA PLAYBACK METHOD  
AND APPARATUS, DATA RECORDING METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND  
DATA RECORDING AND PLAYBACK METHOD AND APPARATUS  
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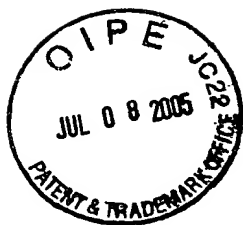
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ X No fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
- ☐ Total claims in excess of 20 previously paid for, at \$50 (\$25) \_\_\_\_.
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- ☐ Additional Fee for this Amendment \_\_\_\_.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_ first month, \_\_\_\_ second month, \_\_\_\_ third month, \_\_\_\_ fourth month, \_\_\_\_ fifth month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. Applicants Petition for an extension, and the fee of \_\_\_\_ \$120 (\$60), \_\_\_\_ \$450 (\$225), \$1,020 (\$510), \_\_\_\_ \$1,590 (\$795), \_\_\_\_ \$2,160.00 (\$1,080.00) is due and paid herewith.
- ☐ The fee of \$ \_\_\_\_ set by 37 C.F.R § 1.17(p) for the Information Disclosure Statement is due and paid herewith.
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of April 7, 2005,  
Applicants respectfully requests that the application be amended as  
follows.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

The Remarks portion begin on page 19 of this Amendment.